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In re U.S. Patent Application of

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RECORDING SYSTEM USING THE SAME**

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on March 3, 2006, the period of response to which is set to expire on July 3, 2006, with a one-month extension of time. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: